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In re Patent Application of:
Takahisa Yamaha

Application No.: 09/866,421

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For: BONDING PAD STRUCTURE OF
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.

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FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, Small Entity status is claimed

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